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Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran

Azar 1382

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(January 2004)

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**Summary Results of the consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Azar 1382**

Groups	percent change compared to			
	previous month		similar month of the previous year	
General Index	2.3		15.9	
Major Groups :				
1- Food, Beverages and Tobacco	4.3		17.8	
2- Clothing and Footwear	0.6		7.8	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	1.7		16.3	
4- Household Furnishings and Operation	0.9		11.1	
5- Transportation and Communication	0.1		13.8	
6- Medical Care	1.0		17.7	
7- Recreation, Reading and Education	5.4		10.5	
8- Miscellaneous Goods and Services	0.2		21.9	
Special Groups :				
1- Goods	2.9		14.0	
2- Services	1.4		21.6	
3- Housing, Water, Fuel and Power	1.7		16.3	

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The Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) went up 2.3 percent in Azar 1382. Showing the index point of 244.1, the **CPI** was 15.9 percent higher than the similar month in 1381.

During the first nine months of the current Iranian year, the consumer price index rose 16.2 percent, compared to the similar period in 1381.

The inflation rate increased 16.4 percent during the twelve months ending Azar 1382.

During Azar 1382, the food, beverages and tobacco group index had a considerably increase 4.3 percent, mainly due to advance of “fruits and vegetables” group index 17.7 percent.

The indices of “meat, poultry and fish” and “dairy products and eggs” groups rose 0.6 percent and 1.7 percent, respectively.

The clothing and footwear group index rose 0.6 percent, mainly due to increase of “footwear” 1.2 percent and “ready to wear clothing” 0.4 percent.

In the mentioned month, the housing, water, fuel and power group index went up 1.7 percent. In this group, the “rental equivalence of owner occupied houses” index and the “rent of residential houses” index and the “maintenance and repair services” index, each increased 1.8 percent.

During Azar 1382, the household furnishings and operation group index went up 0.9 percent. This increase was as a result of 1.0 percent advance in the “household furnishings” group index.

The transportation and communication group index had a slight increase 0.1 percent. In this group, the “private transportation” and the “public transportation” group index went up 0.2 percent and 0.1 percent, respectively.

During Azar 1382, the medical care group index rose 1.0 percent. The above increase was mainly due to 2.6 percent advance in the “medicines” index. The “medical services” group index went up 0.6 percent.

In this month, the recreation, reading and education group index had a considerably increase 5.4 percent. The main factor of this increase was a 7.3 percent advance in the “reading and education” group index. The “recreation” group index went up 0.2 percent.

The miscellaneous goods and services group index rose 0.2 percent.

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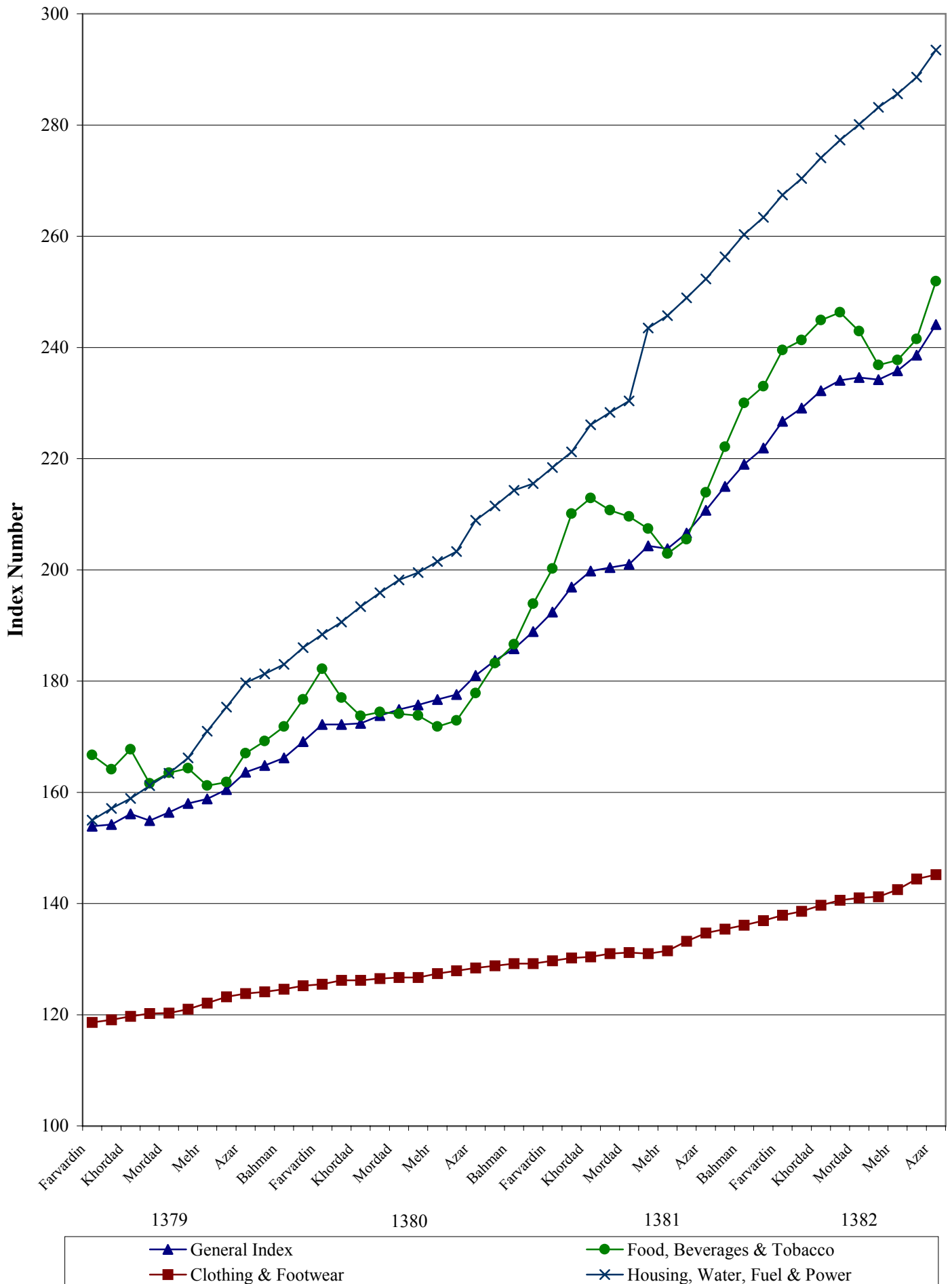


Table1
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
Index Numbers and Their Percent Changes
Azar 1382
(1376=100)

Description	Base Year Weight	Index Number in Azar 1382	Percent Change			
			Azar 1382 Compared to:		Azar 1381 Compared to:	
			previous month	similar month of the previous year	previous month	similar month of the previous year
General Index	100.00	244.1	2.3	15.9	2.0	16.4
Major Groups:						
1-Food,Beverages & Tobacco	32.45	251.9	4.3	17.8	4.1	20.3
Food	31.15	251.4	4.4	18.0	4.2	19.9
Food at home	30.24	250.8	4.6	18.1	4.4	19.9
Bread, rice & cereal products	5.56	238.7	0.4	7.8	1.0	13.0
Pulses	0.54	237.0	0.7	14.3	-0.4	-1.0
Dairy products & eggs	3.84	246.3	1.7	22.4	1.9	14.1
Meat,poultry & fish	7.91	315.7	0.6	16.7	1.8	33.0
Fruits & Vegetables	7.95	241.2	17.7	31.9	15.4	18.6
Fats, oils & butter	1.18	164.7	-0.1	4.7	4.1	22.2
Sugar products and honey	1.27	188.9	0.6	11.4	0.1	7.8
Dry tea	0.86	161.5	0.6	12.7	1.1	7.3
Other food commodities	1.13	171.6	1.1	3.7	0.1	8.3
Food away from home	0.91	273.9	1.9	16.7	0.9	18.5
Beverages	0.46	251.3	0.5	14.7	0.1	12.0
Tobacco	0.84	268.4	0.4	11.0	1.1	40.2
2-Clothing & Footwear	9.55	145.2	0.6	7.8	1.1	4.9
3-Housing, Water, Fuel & power	27.04	293.5	1.7	16.3	1.4	20.8
Housing	25.41	287.9	1.8	16.6	1.6	21.1
Rent of residential houses	5.57	291.3	1.8	16.4	1.7	21.5
Rental equivalence of owner-occupied houses	18.44	290.8	1.8	16.3	1.7	21.0
Maintenance & repair services	1.40	238.0	1.8	23.4	1.7	21.0
Water, fuel & power	1.63	379.6	0.5	13.0	-1.8	17.3
4-Household Furnishings & Operation	7.22	168.7	0.9	11.1	0.5	5.9
5-Transportation & Communication	11.40	216.3	0.1	13.8	0.6	9.1
6-Medical Care	4.57	296.3	1.0	17.7	0.9	15.2
7-Recreation,Reading & Education	3.53	229.8	5.4	10.5	-0.2	15.7
8-Miscellaneous Goods & Services	4.24	251.3	0.2	21.9	0.1	8.4
Special Groups:						
1-Goods	60.93	211.3	2.9	14.0	2.8	14.2
2-Services	12.03	299.2	1.4	21.6	0.2	14.9
3-Housing, Water, Fuel & power	27.04	293.5	1.7	16.3	1.4	20.8

Table2
Consumer Price Index in Urban Areas in Iran
 General and Major Groups Indices
 1369-1381
 (1376=100)

Description Period	General Index	Food, Beverages & Tobacco	Clothing & Footwear	Housing, water Fuel & Power	Household Furnishings & Operation	Transportation & Communication	Medical Care	Recreation, Reading and Education	Miscellaneous Goods & Services
1369	18.6	17.6	20.5	20.4	24.6	18.2	10.9	19.1	18.1
1370	22.4	21.9	23.0	24.4	26.2	24.4	14.2	20.6	20.9
1371	27.9	28.2	25.2	30.7	29.4	29.8	22.0	23.1	23.8
1372	34.3	34.7	29.2	36.5	35.6	34.2	31.4	30.2	32.6
1373	46.3	47.6	40.6	44.0	50.7	52.1	44.2	44.8	47.1
1374	69.2	76.3	65.6	56.8	78.6	75.4	58.7	72.6	69.2
1375	85.2	87.8	88.4	76.7	93.0	87.7	78.9	91.3	91.3
1376	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1377	118.1	124.5	105.3	120.8	106.8	114.7	122.2	107.1	113.5
1378	141.8	152.7	112.1	143.4	122.8	146.0	152.0	126.9	137.5
1379	159.7	166.3	121.8	169.8	137.6	158.4	183.5	144.4	158.1
1380	177.9	178.5	127.4	201.8	142.0	170.5	211.6	168.9	187.5
1381	206.0	213.2	132.6	241.2	150.0	187.6	246.0	192.2	204.6
1381:									
Azar	210.7	213.9	134.7	252.3	151.9	190.0	251.8	207.9	206.1
Dey	215.0	222.1	135.4	256.3	152.8	192.9	253.3	208.3	206.8
Bahman	219.0	230.0	136.1	260.3	153.6	193.0	256.8	208.4	207.2
Esfand	221.9	233.0	136.9	263.4	155.1	196.7	258.9	208.1	217.7
1382:									
Farvardin	226.7	239.5	137.9	267.4	155.8	203.2	260.9	208.5	232.0
Ordibehesht	229.1	241.3	138.6	270.4	157.3	206.5	268.5	208.6	233.2
Khordad	232.2	244.9	139.7	274.1	159.1	208.6	277.5	208.2	234.8
Tir	234.1	246.3	140.6	277.3	160.4	210.1	281.4	207.9	235.7
Mordad	234.6	242.9	141.0	280.1	162.4	212.6	285.7	207.9	240.2
Shahrivar	234.2	236.8	141.2	283.2	163.8	214.4	289.2	208.1	246.1
Mehr	235.8	237.7	142.5	285.6	165.2	215.6	292.3	211.5	247.6
Aban	238.6	241.5	144.4	288.6	167.2	216.0	293.3	218.1	250.9
Azar	244.1	251.9	145.2	293.5	168.7	216.3	296.3	229.8	251.3